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**Topic: Letter "U" Subject: Re: Letter "U"** Posted by: futari Posted on: 2007/4/11 18:07:12

Quote:

geoette wrote: Quote:

MPL730 wrote: " UNDERSTAND " is coming from my mind !!

Hi Geoette :

I read most of your posts . I have learnet something new and new strange words ( for me ) from them . Those old songs are lovely . Can you tell me what is the meaning of " UPPITY "? Thank you .

Hello MPL ...

Greetings.

The word â€~UPPITY' from dictionaries has the following definitions. I have also included the Chinese translations for you.

- Snobbish, uncivilized and disrespectful (the list goes on) è‡<sup>a</sup>è<sup>2</sup> çš,, æ<sup>2</sup>'有教養çš,, ç,içl®çš,
- Presumptuously arrogant å,¶è'—å,<sup>2</sup>æ…¢çš,,æ"<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>è,†
- Brandishing immodest boasting that need to be squelched.
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Other definitions include:

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Imitate, admire, or seek association with people regarded as social superiors. æœf模仿高å°šçš"ä⁰°ä,¦è«,媚çš"è"Žå¥½å·´çµ•

Characterised by offensive boldness; and displaying ostentatiously an insolence or impertinence air of self-satisfied superiority in matters of taste.

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l'II let you have the synonyms after I have worked out the translations.

Best regards.

(some more info)

"uppity" - (adjective); black by 1880
>> conceited; arrogant; snobbish
= "hincty" (also, "hinkty")
e.g. ... the most uppity colored fellow I ever ran into in my life. --- Calder Willingham
e.g. ... to estimate if this reporter was going to give her any sass or put on any uppity airs. --Washington Post

[Note: Once used almost exclusively of black people felt to be too self-assertive by the white speaker.]

"uppity" - (adjective)

meaning #1) Characteristic of or resembling a snob.

(synonyms: elitist, snobbish, snobby. Informal high-hat, snooty, stuck-up, uppish.)

meaning #2) Rude and disrespectful

(synonyms: assuming, assumptive, audacious, bold, boldfaced, brash, brazen, cheeky, contumelious, familiar, forward, impertinent, impudent, insolent, malapert, nervy, overconfident, pert, presuming, presumptuous, pushy, sassy, saucy, smart. Informal brassy, flip, fresh, smart-alecky, snippety, snippy, uppish.)

In short, "uppity" = putting on airs of superiority. "(ç‹,ål,,)自大çš,,"